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In response to the Final Office Action dated May 13, 2004, the period of response to which extends through November 13, 2004, with the payment of a three-month extension fee, please reconsider the above identified application and the following remarks to place the application in clear condition for allowance or, alternatively, in better form for appeal.